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the BIGGEST show off Earth

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Irwin Allen himself describes the show for the benefit of latecomers:

"To begin with, Land of the Giants is exactly what the title states: it is a land inhabited by giants, people 12 times the size

of the 7 earth people who land in their

"The new arrivals are passengers aboard a rocketship in suborbital flight in the year 1983 when they pass thru a space-time warp and are thrust onto this strange planet. Their puzzlement soon turns to hor-

or when a newe bot on this new world picks up their craft. To him it's a toy!

"The boy is the humans' first contact with this unknown world's giant inhabitants. A burst of rocket power tears the toy' from the boy's hands. A brief, wild light ensues and the terrified travelers land

"How the Earthlings cope with these immense & formidable people provides a series



Like a scene from DR. CYCLOPS, hero of Land of the Giants is menaced by hand that could squash him like a bug.

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Stranger in a strange land is the strange situations in which Kurt Kasznar finds himself.

of exciting adventures. As they strive to stay alive under circumstances of unparalled peril, they also work with all their wits, courage & strength to get back home.

"The eivilization they find in the land of the Giants is like that they knew back home on Earth. There are good giants & bad ones; intelligent, greedy & dumb giants. They use appropriately huge books, telephones, paper clips, cameras, shoes, spools of thread, penells . . .

"and they speak English"

"Yes, it would seem that English is the universal language. Anyone who has seen PLANET OF THE APES or read 'Gulliver's Travels' knows apes & horses found elsewhere in the universe speak English.

"And now even interplanetary giants."
In making this series I have worked out a whole new concept for filming 'magic'. It is a technical process which allows us to show our travelers & the giants together in a single 'unmarked' film frame. And the

Earthlings with giant insects & animals.

"We have had to think BIG all the way.

"And my answer to questions about this series & other work I have created & produced for TV & films is very simple:

and now, by popular demand

We bring you replays of exciting past episodes of Land of the Giants.

The hour known as FRAMED:

"I love science fiction."

Capt. Steve Burton (Gary Conway) & Alexander Fitzhugh (Kurt Kasznar) are searching for a lens which they need to recharge the solar batteries of their rocketshin.

While Steve & Alex are engaged in their desperate search, they observe a photographer (giant) strike his model with a rock, then try to make a sleeping giant hoto (Doodles Weaver) look guilty by planting incriminating evidence around him.

Steve & Valerie (Deanna Lund) team to take a picture of the 'plant' with the giant's own camera. Afterwards, they hide themselves in the camera itself, intending to get out and develop the film in the giant's darkroom after the photographer takes his camera home. Succeeding after much difficulty in get-

succeeding after much difficulty in getting the picture developed, Steve then makes radio contact with passengers from the plane.

The garthlings rally 'round and distract the giant criminal, who is at last frightened into calling the giant police. End of episode.

gorak the mighty

UNDERGROUND:

Gorak is not a Tarzan of the Jungle nor yet a prehistoric beast like Gorgo.

Gorak is a professor, a giant professor (John Abbott), who is making a "giant" bid for freedom in the society of this strange planet. Even on another world, rest & discontent is found among some of its citizens, and Prof. Gorak is the head of the Freedom Partv.

During the course of the breathtaking hour, Steve, Dan (Don Marshall), Valerie & Fitzhugh are captured by Gorak, who uses them as tiny "hands" to recover a list of patriots' names from a vault at security police headquarters.

All sorts of difficulties are encountered.

For instance, the airduct leading to the

vault is blocked.

And Fitzhugh, mailed in a package with a 2-way radio, to the police director, is

dropped and rendered unconscious.

The other Earthlings try desperately to make the most of their miniature size to slip by the giant guards and a Cyclopean

electric eye alarm system.

If you missed it, learn the ending on the rerun!

the incredible shrinking

THE FLIGHT PLAN:

Another Earthman on the planet of

giants?

This is the startling discovery seemingly made by the survivors of the rocketship crash when they encounter another person their own size in this frightening land where the inhabitants are 70 or more tall. (And all insects & animals match them in size!)

The stranger is in ragged clothing and has a story to tell similar to that of the

group from the rocketship.

"I too was a pilot," he tells Capt. Burton.
"I crashed here many years before. Thank
God now I can get back to Earth."

mighty joe

The stranger is nicknamed "Joe" by the group when he proffesses to be suffering from amnesia.

But has he really forgotten his own name?

Or is there another reason for him to be pretending he can't remember certain things?

Steve is suspicious. Suspicious that "Joe" may not be a normal-size Earthman but, somehow. a-

Shrunken Giant!

Trapped in what is but a tiny glass container to the Giants but an effective prison to the Earthlings.











Upper Left, Kurt Kasznar as Cmdr, Alexander Fitz-hugh; upper middle, Stefan Arngrim as Barry; upper right, Dan Marshall as Dan Erickson; Lower Right, beautiful Heather Young as stewardess Betty Hamilton; and, Jower Left, of course none other than the star of I WAS A TEENAGE FRANKENSTEIN, Gary Conway.



One of the enormous inhabitants of this world of kingsize things.

And, in fact, as the plot develops, it is revealed that what Steve suspects indeed is true:

"Joe" is a scientist giant who, after much experimentation, has perfected a means to reduce his size. To cut down his height to one-twelfth of "giant" normal. To make himself appear to be a member of Earth humanity.

dark objective

But Joe-the-giant, the mad scientist turned man-size, has no humanity about him. He is, in fact, a rank villain, a villain of the first rank.

His evil intention:

To re-activate the terrestrial rocketship— Steal it—

Speed back thru the space-&-time warp— And arrive on Earth for 2 purposes: To illegally obtain scientific data of great

And-

To outright plunder, seize material riches from the globe that mankind calls home. Whether he succeeds with his plunder, makes a personal blunder or is thwarted in his wicked scheme is the theme of THE FLIGHT PLAN.

giant hunt

MANHUNT:

A taut tale of a manhunt, with the difference being that the man is about as big as King Kong!

The Land of Giants has criminals . . . prisons . . . and escaped convicts.

A giant escapee from a penitentiary discovers the Earth spaceship and scoops it up in his giant hand.

Aboard the ship at the time are Dan,

Barry, Valerie & Betty, who are considerably buffeted about the giant's action.

slow sand

Then the convict slips into quicksand, which might better be called slow sand, for the sands of Time & Giantland start slowly to run out for him.

slowly to run out for him.

Eventually his breathing will be stopped when the fine particles clog his nostrils.

But Steve takes the stand that an attempt must be made to save the life of this giant, even if he has broken some law of the culture of his country, and so the others



Escape plans scotched by Scotch tape! During duo about to be dissected!

co-operate to attempt a rescue.

The quartet endures painful hazards in the treacherous quagmire till the co-pilot is able to use the ship's power to fly out.

The rocket is free but the ginat remains in the merciless graps of the quicksand. Minute by minute he is being sucked deeper & deeper toward his eventual doom: burial alive.

But Steve refuses to abandon the trapped titan. He tears strips from the giant's shirt and fashions a rope from it. With one end of the "rope" around the sinking colossus and the other around the ship, Steve uses rocket power to rescue the giant from the bottomless mud.

land of many menaces

A bee, a spider, a rat, a cat, a blackbird, a match, a rainstorm—any of these & many more common & harmless to normal-size people can (and do) become frightful terrors to "illiputs". You've seen such sights before in films like DR. CYCLORS, THE MYSTERIOUS SILAND, ATTACK OF THE PUPPER PROPIES, etc., but never with such regularity as in Land of the Giants.



Sneaking up on the giant in the sneakers, Capt. Burton is about to make a sneak attack. Well, that's Shoe Business!

ZNIMALS, CROAMES CROAMES

how to tell the Its from the Whats and the Thems

those beastly monsters

- THE BEAST from 20,000 Fathoms . . . The BEAST of Hollow Mountain . . .
- The BEAST with 5 Fingers . . . The BEAST with 1,000,000 Eyes . . .
- Beauty & the BEAST.
- What do these titles have in common?
- What's that you say—they all start with The?
- Wrong! Don't forget BEAUTY & THE BEAST: no
- Second guess: BEAST.
- Go to the head of the class. (Gruesome, isn't it? Just a head. No body!)
- Now let's examine these beasts. Five of them, and only 2 of them similar. The beast from the brain of Ray Bradbury (the
- imaginary Harryhausen creature called a rhedosaurus) was an amphibious dinosaur. What it was doing at the 20,000 level is too deep for us to fathom, unless it was in league with Capt. Nemo. In any event, we've established that that particular beast was from the dinsosaur family.

The beast that hollered around Hollow Mountain was described by one critic as 'an upright mean dinostar', something between an allocaturs & a tyree, CA ryres is an abbreviation we just made up for tyrannosturus Rex, because in the first place our innotypist can never spell it right, in the 2d place we can never spell it right, in the 3d place can YOU spell it right—and in the 4th place it's such a big mouthful that only a bronto-starts could wouldow it.)

OK, 2 beasts turned out to be 2 dinosums. What about the beast with the 5 fingers? Not a beast at all, really! Actually, more of a thing—a disnembered human hand that crawled like a tarantula and choked like the devil and made Peter Lord's oyes pop out allarger than ever. And speaking of eyes, what about the beast with a million of 'em? Actually it only had 2, plus

a couple of tendrils & a couple of fangs. Truly, a thing from another world.

Of course the beast in BEAUTY & THE BEAST was a classic fairy tale were-minual, horithy bestial at times, its claws smoking after it had killed and consumed raw flesh; beautifully human when released from its curse.



KONG—The 8th Wonder of the Worldt Super Simian, Legendary Ape King of Skull Island—the Island Time Forgot but WE will Always Remember!

There are undoubtedly more, as this does not pretend to be a definitive article, but we just thought of another beast: THE WAR OF THE COLOSSAL BEAST. In this case it was a giant

meanwhile, at the lagoon, things are looking black

Looking back on the films with "recuture" in the title, we find most of them (3) have concerned the same creature, our old friend Blacky LaGoon. Besides CREATURE FROM THE BLACK LAGOON, REVENGE OF THE CREATURE and THE CREATURE WALKS AMONG US, there was Curt Siedmak's CREATURE WITH THE ATOM BRAIN, a sort of "Tom Swift & His Electronia Creation of the creation of the

CREATURE FROM THE HAUNTED SEA was a sort of mythical sea monster.

thingwise

- "It's a wise Thing that knows its own mother"

 —Old Miskatonic Adage.
- THE THING FROM ANOTHER WORLD, the vegetable that walked like a man, was kind of a bald-headed Frankenstein.

 THE THING THAT COULD NOT DIE was
- a head that should have been dead hundreds of years ago but did bad deeds when it was connected again to its body.
- THINGS TO COME—oops, wrong kind of things!

characteristics & scare-actor-istics

What are some of the distinguishing features of creatures & things?
Well—



that spooky without its flesh, imagine how it must have looked with a body. (But FM disclaims all responsibility if you faint!)

They are liable to be tall. KING KONG.

GODZILLA. GORGO

They are liable to be strong.

MIGHTY IOF YOUNG THE BEAST OF YUCCA FLATS (ex-wrestler

Tor Johnson as a man turned by an atomic blast into an inhuman beast of great strength). THE INDESTRUCTIBLE MAN (Lon Chaney

They are liable to be slimy, ooglie, tentacled things

CALTIKI, THE IMMORTAL MONSTER. THE MONSTER THAT CHALLENGED THE WORLD.

THE BLOB.

Many are scaly creatures. THE ALLIGATOR MAN.

THE HIDEOUS SUN DEMON. The dragon of SIEGFRIED.

multimorphs!

"Multimorphs" means "many shapes", and that's what they come in, alright, these animals & monsters, beasts & creatures & things,

HIMALAYAS. KONGA THE STRANGE CASE OF CAPT. RAMPER

THE ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN OF THE

(with Paul Wegener, of GOLEM fame). Insectival

THE BLACK SCORPION. TARANTIILA

THEM! Crustacean

ATTACK OF THE CRAB MONSTERS. Arboreal: FROM HELL IT CAME (living trees).

THE DAY OF THE TRIFFIDS (moving plant terrors).

Gaseous: THE HUMAN VAPOR.

Electrical: DOGORA

Indescribable!---the Xenomorph in Bradbury's IT CAME FROM OUTER SPACE . . . the cosmic cloud creature in THE CRAWLING EYE . . .

the Id in FORBIDDEN PLANET. And, when Alex Gordon's THE DESTROYER breaks loose on the screen, a metamorph will be seen that's actually based on a story of the same name, "The Metamorphs" by Stuart J. Byrne.

creepy-crawly

Here's the plot of a THING from Outer Space

THE CRAWLING EYE, 85 minute long British film known in England as THE TROLLEN-BERG TERROR

Sarah & Anne Pilgrin have a "mind-reading" act. On a vacation in Switzerland they meet Alan Brooks (Forrest Tucker), a UN scientist who is on his way to Trolleaberg, a little town in the Alps where "unusual" things have been happening. Anne, acting strangely, insists that she & Sarah also get off at Trolleaberg. In some mysterious manner she knows about gruesome events there, including the sudden appearance of inexplicably

beheaded bodies . . . and an unearthly cold.

The girls are met by Herr Klein, who is astounded that Anne, a stranger to these parts,

astounded that Anne, a stranger to these parts, knows of the dreadful catastrophes. Two mountain climbers leave for an ascent on the mountain and Brooks (Forrest) goes to the

observatory of Prof. Crevett, who sent for him to investigate the weird occurrences. The professor tells Brooks:

"I believe the cirl Anne is actually receiving

"I believe the girl, Anne, is actually receiving telepathic messages from whatever is hidden in the strange cloud that hovers over Trollenberg."

Later Anne has another psychic presentiment

Later Anne has another psychic presentiment and informs Brett & the professor: "I feel that the mountain climbers are in dreadful danger!"

Brooks phones a mountain hut and learns from one of the climbers that his partners has gone. Suddenly a scream echoes thru the phone and then

the line goes dead.

A search party is quickly organized. As they climb they see an ominous clod receding from

above the hut.
In the hut they find---

The headless body of the man who was speaking on the phone.

And over all there lingers a frosty chill of intense cold.

mounting horror on the mountain

sack!

Meanwhile, the second climber is located and 2 villagers volunteer to rescue him. The first man to reach him recoils in horror when he sees— The first climber's head in the second knap-

Climber #2 (Brett), in a strange hypnotic trance, attacks & kills his would-be rescuer.

The second man confronts Brett but doesn't see the terrifying tentacles of a creature encircling his

body.

Back at the hotel Brooks is disturbed when he observes how peculiarly the dazed Brett is behaving. When Anne enters the room, for no reason Brett attacks her! Brooks knocks Brett out and

together he & Anne carry him to a cellar. Later, as Herr Klein passes the cellar door, Brett's arm shoots out and strangles him. Armed with a huge knife, Brett next comes across Sarah. When she screams, Brooks rushes to her rescue

and shoots Brett.

But when the dead man's flesh dissolves, it is obvious that Brett has been under some alien spell of the—

creature in the cloud

At that point a reporter rushes in, shouting wildly. "The cloud ... on the mountaintop ... it's breaking up ... and visible in it is ... some kind of hidden thing ... horrible ... an enormous eye ... writhing tentacles ... it's crawling towards the hotel!"

e hotel!"
All rush to the safety of the observatory, all



except Hans, a foolhardy hotel attendant, who

rushes outside toward the crawling eye. Realizing she has left her little girl behind, a woman shrieks. Brooks rushes back, just in time

to snatch up the terrified child from the tentacles of the awful eve-creature. At the observatory Hans returns, a peculiar look

in his eyes.

He attempts to strangle Anne!

But Brooks overpowers him. Brooks now realizes that the Crawling Eye must have a cold climate to exist. It can theoretically be

destroyed. By heat! Brooks takes charge. "Gather all the empty bot-

tles you can!" he orders the villagers. "Fill them with oil & saturated rags."

He slips outside and tosses one of the homemade bombs at the cloud creature.

The reporter attacks the thing but is swept off his feet by its slimy, octopus-like tentacle. Brooks drags him to safety and radios for a UN

plane to drop incendiary bombs. The Crawling Eve attacks the observatory!

It almost gains entry when-

The bombs fall!

The diabolical eye of the cloud bursts into flames. Brooks' theory proves correct and at last there is nothing left of the horror from space—nothing but

memories that will cause nightmares for years to come, nocturnal dreams of a dreadful orb surrounded by terrifying tentacles wrapped in a cloud of death from the deeps of space.

The original super crab having himself a man sandwich, as first seen in the very first, collector's item issue of FM way back in Feb. '58, From ATTACK OF THE CRAB MON-STERS, early Roger Corman epic.





GOLIATH AND THE DRAGON, AIP release of Italian pic seen in '60. Marcel (LOST WORLD') Delgado built the original model of the fire-breather, which now resides in the Dinorama Room of Hollywood's famous House of Fright.

the thing with a sting

In conclusion, the tale of a different kind of creature, half human, half insect — THE WASP WOMAN. Susan Cabot, Film Group '59. Miss Starlin (Susan) has reached her boiling

Miss Starlin (Susan) has reached her boiling point. Her board of executives cringes as she tongue-lashes them because sales of her beauty products have reached an all-time low.

To the rescue comes a Mr. Zinthrop (Michael

Marks), a mysterious old man with a German accent. "I have made an amazing discovery which will revolutionize the cosmetics industry." "VER-rrry In-terestink!" says aging Miss Starlin,

"VER-rrry In-terestink!" says aging Miss Starlin. (Oops! Wrong show.)
"I have been experimenting with the enzymes of

the Queen Wasp," the doctor tells Janice; "but, here, let me show you." He injects an aged guinea pig and before Jan's very eyes the decrepit creature becomes young again!

Jan agrees to finance Zinthrop in further experiments so that she will get the first injection when the serum is perfected.

Friends of Jan-Bill, Mary & Wallace-fear

Zinthrop may be a quack and try to find proof of this.

Meanwhile, Zinthrop has improved his serum; injects the office cat, an old calico, and it becomes a puss-in-beauts!

Jan becomes impatient and takes matters into her own hands—or rather her own veins—by sneaking into the lab and giving herself a shot of the serum beyond the margin of safety. She fails to notice that the cat, which had briefly become a cut kitty, now lies in its cage—misshapen & dead.

Over night, years drop off Jan and the whole office is attorished at her youth & beauty But Zinthrop is hortfiled when in the cage he finds what is described in the script as "a monstrativel what is described in the script as "a monstrativel now something never seen by human eyes before, which lies contorted in its cage in death. The mouth is open revealing teeth far higger than any house carts, claws stretched out as if to attack. The open eyes stare sightlessly under tuffs of course bristle-house cart.







TIVE WOMEN (1963/color).

Zinthrop incinerates the cat's corpse; then, in shock, walks out on the street and is struck by a car. While Zinthrop is in a coma, Jan gives herself another huge dose.

Wallace (head of the research dept.) has become convinced that the serim is a writishle fountain of convinced that the serim is a writishle fountain of self an injection when (serje); a thing that at first gaince might be mitachen for a giant innect attacks him. Predominately human, its bulging eyes prorude from under a bowe covered by silky hairrade from under a bow covered by silky hairdreds of individual cyes, each with its own tris. The brow spouts 2 antennae but the note is a depressed lobe of matter surrounding the most guessome feasible of the file.

It kills Wallace. And, later, the nightwatchman.

the shape of stings to come Weak but able to work. Zinthrop returns to the

lab. Alone with Bill & Mary, he tries to warn them about Jan and the enzymes. Mary rushes off to try and find Jan. Bill & Zinthrop follow breathlessly.

Jan has changed—into something half wasp, half human, all monster—and has Mary in her grasp, it being her intention to paralyez her, bury her and, with the instincts of a wasp, feed on her later.

Bill & Zinthorp arrive before Jan can kill. She shoves aside Bill, attacks Zinthrop. Bill grabs a stool and attacks the were-wasp with desperation. But the hybrid horror's strength is fantastic and the 2 men seem doomed till Zinthrop, fatally wounded, with his dying breath throws a bottle of acid on the Wasp Woman.

Blinded, in agony, the creature that once was Jan stumbles thru a glass wall and into the wasps' nest. The infuriated insects attack. The mutated monstrosity staggers toward a window and a 25storey drop. End of story. End of article.

But not, we are sure, the end of ANIMALS, CREATURES & THINGS.... FND

SON OF MYSTERY LINES BY STEVEN LOCKSBERGER

Once egain from the poison pen of the Frankeneteve Monster comes direct quotations from ten of the greatest horror classica of all time. All you have to do is identify the linea, either by the actor who apoke them, or the creature feature in which they were seid.



The often quoted and eloquent Boris Karloff is seen hers in the role of the mute Frenkenstein Monster, gazing intently at e book of Fairy Tales. (SON OF FRANKENSTEIN Universal 1939)

- 1. "Vetos you are mad!"
 2. "The most complex thing
- known to man ...man himself."

 3. "If I am—it is because man's
- hatred has made me so."
- "Why am I not made of stone as thee?"
- "Would you like some of my flowers?"

- "You are 'Dr. Frankenstein' like your father?"
 "Something's wrong Bohmer
- ... I can't see!"
- 8. "Some are dogs; these I beat. Others are wild animals: these I cage."
- "Don't move if you value your life!"
- "You fools, you're crazy to know who I am aren't you?!"

ANSWERS

8. Boris kevlod in BEDLAM.
9. Perev Cushing to Christopher Lee in HOUND
10. Cleude Reins to the mob in THE INVISIBLE
MAN.

6. Bula Lugoai to Basil Rethbone in SON OF FRANKENSTEIN.
7. Belle Lugosil's voice (in Lon Cheney Jr.'s body) to Lionall Atwill in GHOST OF FRANKEN-STEIN.
8. Boris Kerloff in BEDLAM. 2. Perer, Cushing to Robert Urquibert in CURSE
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1. Boris Kerloff to Bele Lugosi in THE BLACK

DRACUE.

By Sathanas Rehan & Viktor Vesperto



two of our readers tell a future tale of the king of bleeders

DRACULA, lying in his cozy cold crypt, thought fearfully about the trouble in getting fresh blood nowadays (the beginning of the 21st centry), as a feeble spider crawled slowly across his unmoving hand. For several weeks now he had had to water down his emergency blood supply in order to make it last. If things grew much worse, he'd have to drive a stake then his own heart!



He rose from his coffin and heard an unfamiliar sound

If he had the energy left.

The sun went down . . . Raising his coffin lid, Dracula heard an unfamiliar whirring sound outside his castle. He smiled, thinking of blood, and hurried to see if another

victim had come.
When he reached the outside, he was startled to see an unusual large cigar-shaped object. Two odd-looking persons, a tall blue-skinned man & a weird orange-skinned young girl stepped out of the vehicle and sooke to him thru their minds:

"Greetings, Earthling! We are people from Pluto on a mission to obtain a man from Earth for our Great Council. Come with us; if you find the condition unfavorable, you may return."

Being too weak to argue, Dracula agreed.

On the way to Pluto, the Count was asked what food he needed. When he answered "blood", instead of being surprised his hosts simply answered, "No problem. We'll keep you well supplied at all times."

Dracula had had little time to keep up with astronomy or astronautics. Upon his arrival on Pluto he was delighted to discover it was dark most of the time, the weak wan sun barely seen even during the day. Since his eyes had had over 500 years to adapt to the dark, the night of Pluto suited him just

Dracula was given a fitting mansion in Xemyra, capital of the united nations of Pluto. There he was treated like a king. Three times during each of his waking periods a beautiful (if orange) maiden brought him a gallon of blood in a solid gold flask. Ne no longer felt the urge to leave his mansion to drain fresh red delicious blood from healthy young reluctant victims so he stayed home and minded his castle.

But one day, during a Plutonian celebration which everyone in the city attended, Dracula felt a great thirst for water. There appeared to be none in his castle. He went out into the streets, looking for a drinking

fountain.

To his surprise, he found none, After walking blocks & blocks (getting tired and about to turn into a bat in order to rest his feet) he suddenly saw a small building with a welcome sign on it: WATER

BANK. He opened the door and walked in. There was no one there; everyone was out at the celebration.

He reached for a large bottle of water, put it to his thirsty lips (for blood is salty) and drank gulp after gulp of the simple liquid. Just then a police officer walked in - and

looked horrified! "Stop, thief!" cried the policeman.

"You're under arrest!" Dracula was so startled that he failed to resist. Or change shape and escape. He couldn't believe it was happening to him. He was used to people screaming bloody murder when he bit their neck for blood, but mater?

They brought him before the Supreme Criminal Court of Pluto.

Completely puzzled, Dracula asked:
"What have I done wrong?"
"Wrong?" thundered the Supreme Judge,

his normally blue tendrils turning first brown with rage and then vellow with disbelief. "Wrong?! Why, you have committed the most unthinkable of crimes - drinking water! Holy water, the essence of life that flows thru every Plutonian's veins! In the last 500 years on Pluto, this is the first known case of a dread disease which we thought we had erased forever from our medical books!

"Your criminal behavior has thown us back to the dark & superstitious ages of this planet!

"In 5 full centuries your horrible act of water-drinking has proven to be our first new case of VAMPIRISM!"



He drank the forbidden drink. Sentence: death!



classic that earned Lon Chaney immortal fame.

A UNIVERSAL SUPER JEWEL PRODUCTION was what the Studio proudly called its picture when they produced Victor Hugo's classic most of the doubly crophed Quasimodo. The studies of the studie



know of the secrets of make- Life seems so mysterious to me, so full of

the time. What did I know of the secrets of makeup then? It may have been the first time I ever even heard of Lon Chaney. Late in January of this year I saw the Chaney

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To me, to see the Master of Them ALL in THE HUNCHBACK is still a rare & wonderful emotional experience. I hope I can share it with you in the following pages, partly with the story but mainly with the pictures collected over a period of 40 years.

Forrest J Ackerman Editor Famous Monsters of Filmland

Chapter 1 ESMERALDA'S STRANGE MEMORIES

I want to write down my thoughts in some sort or order because I feel they are somehow different from the thoughts of those with whom I live. I know that these Gypsies are my people, and strange patterns and grotesque figures . . I try to explain to myself about it all and can scarce find the words to fit the feeling . . . But it is as if I had blundered from a real, awake world into a dream world and had never again been able to find myself a way out again . . .

I know that I am Esmeralda the dancer, and that Clopin is my guardian (a sort of father, I suppose); but I know, too, that I wasn't always Esmeralda, that I must, sometime, somewhere, have been somebody else, somebody very different

I have such poor, frail little memories. They are not enough at all. They are not strong enough to guide me out of this dream world into the real world from which I must have come, a long time 7250...

They are like this: I remember great, lovely rooms, with high ceilings and tall vases of sweet flowers and pleasant faces everywhere about, dissolving in and out of a sort of mist-one face solving in and out of a sort of mist-one face filled with love of me. I remember a shell-like thing, deep and warm and comfortable—a bed, I think; and I remember being tucked into it at night and then I hear weste words murmuring in both my ears—words that sound like the words of the prayers Dom Claude says at the boly church.



These things keep coming back to me, all of the while, but I can't make them clear. They want to come out of the mist. They are like poor shadows, lovely but lonely, too; and coming to me, they fill me with loneliness.

And after these memories I remember only Clopin, with his deep, deep eyes. Kind eyes for me. Kind eyes, too, for all the dream creatures who live in the Court of Miracles-

Chapter 2 THE SHAPE-CHANGERS . . . AND OTHER PECULIAR PEOPLE

Ah, yes, the Court of Miracles! I must write of that, too. The Court of Miracles used to be so very wonderful to me when I was smaller. I believed in it like some little children I have read about in books believe in a being called Santa Claus. In the Court of Miracles real miracles happened. My friends would go out in the mornings, into the streets of Paris. One could find them, unexpectedly, standing on street corners, blind or halt and lame. One could find them on the broad steps of Notre Dame, begging with whining voices. That is where Clopin always sat, cringing, but with such a light in his deep, deep eyes. I never could quite tell whether that light was for love or for hate .

And then, at night time, they would all come back to the Court of Miracles, and as soon as they PAMOUS MONSTERS OF FILMLAND

came in, lo! the miracles! They were no longer blind, they were no longer halt nor lame. Clopin no longer cringed and whined, but sat instead upon an immense high chair and was the King of all the crowded figures.

And he used to say fierce things I didn't understand-then. He used to cry all the time, "Down with the Aristocrats!", and I didn't know for a long while that when he said "aristocrats" he meant the Beautiful Ones, for that is what I called them. The Beautiful Ones whom I would sometimes see driving by in fine coaches or dashing by on horses, brave and brilliant, I used to feel that they were the real ones and that we, who crawled and danced and wept about and around Notre Dame, were the funny nightmare things who would suddenly awake,

Of course we never did.

Now I have grown up, really, and I understand a great many things I never understood when I was little.

But it helps me to understand still better if I write down my thoughts on sheets of white paper. The little black letters on the fair white sheets straighten misty things all out for me. Someday may know what all this is about. Some of it understand now. Dom Claude has helped me a great deal. He

is the ministering priest of Notre Dame. He helps everyone. No one is too foul or too wretched for



attampts to rastrein the Hunchback.

Villainy afoot as Jehan plots to use Quasimodo for foul purpose.



his kind white hands to minister to. His face is so thin that it sometimes seems as though his spirit shines right through . . . It will, someday!

Dom Claude has helped make many things clear to me—Clopin, for instance. I really love Clopin but sometimes I can't understand him. He is so strong and kingly when he is with his "people" as he calls them in the Court of Miracles; and he is kind to me and to the Gypsy Queen in our home. I know that he loves me very dearly and that he would die for me on the guillotine if need be. But I could never understand how he could be so cruel to other people and why he spent his days on the steps of Notre Dame, cringing and whining, when I know that he is brave, Dom Claude says he is a strong, twisted soul.

He says that Clopin has great knots in his spirit. And when I asked him if he didn't think I could untie the knots and make Clopin tall and whole, he sighed and shook his head and said, "Ah, my child, none but God can wrestle with the soul of

Clopin, now!

And then there is Sister Gudule, the poor crazv woman who lives in a sort of cell under the shadow of Notre Dame. Night and day and day and night she cries for her lost baby. Dom Claude says she is an example of a great love upsetting reason. He says that I should be very tender and compassionate with her because long ago the gypsies stole her baby and her baby was all her life to her. But Sister Gudule won't let me be kind and compassionate to her. Every time I pass she cries out upon me with horrible curses and cries. I feel that she hates me.

Chapter 3 THE HOLY MOTHER'S CREATURE OF HORROR

And then there is the Hunchback of Notre Dame! Quasimodo, the one-eved, the bandy-legged, ugly as an ape, the devil himself, I have heard him called. His face has been described as one of

miraculous ugliness: Bulbous, bloated nose . . .

Horse-shoe mouth

Little left eve stubbled up with an evebrow of carroty bristles, the right completely overwhelmed and buried by an enormous wen

Irregular teeth, jagged here and there like the battlements of a fortress . . .

Horny lip, over which one of his teeth protrude like the tusk of an elephant . . . Forked chin

And above all, the expression-a mixture of spite and melancholy spread over these horrific features.

His prodigious head is covered with red bristles. Between his shoulders rises an enormous hump. counterbalanced by a protuberance in front.

His thighs and legs are so strangely put together that they touched at no one point but the knees. Seen in front, they resemble two sickles joined at the handles. His feet are immense, his hands monstrous, but

with all this deformity there is a formidable air of strength, agility and courage, constituting a single exception to the eternal rule that force, as well as beauty, shall result from harmony He looks like a giant who has been broken in

pieces and ill-soldered together. When this sort of Cyclops appears on the threshold of the chapel, motionless, squat, almost



Quasimodo selects garmant for girl (Esmaralda) who has bafriended him.

as broad as high, "the square of his base", as a great man expresses it, the people instantly recognize him by his coat, half red and half purple, sprinkled with silver bells, and, more especially, by the enormity of his ugliness.

Chapter 4 BY THE WORLD REVILED

Dom Claude says he is a poor blind soul living in a poor deformed body and that the world only gets in to him through crazy crevices and aper-

tures. He says that the Hunchback has animal instincts like all mankind and that he feels within his hideous body the revulsion of the world. Dom Claude says that the world to Quasimodo is just a parade of revolted faces and averted eyes and that he hates them all back again, with a hideous, uncouth frenzy. One can scarce reach his soul through the horror of his body, the good Dom

says, and that is the tragic part of it. 'Has he no place where he can see the light?" Lasked the Dom

The solemn bells of Notre Dame," the Father "they are the voices of his baffled soul to him. They are the only voices his soul can hear. They ring for him, at his behest. They are his gods. No friendship, no communion with God, no love of woman is possible for him. Only the bells are possible. Only what they say to him can he hear. He is as faithful to them as I to the Church I serve, as you to your ideals, as a man to his wife, In Death he will be likewise faithful to them. You may live to see that yet, my child.

I felt that I should be kind to him, but when I dance and he squats on the outer edge of the circle watching me, I shudder and my flesh creeps, I recoil and my own recoil is mirrored in his eyes. He would crush me in his terrible hairy arms if he could

I tell this to Dom Claude and the good man says that I must bear in mind that Quasimodo is one of God's creatures too. "Only when you have suffered greatly, my daughter," the Father said, only then will all the things of earth become bearable to you.

Chapter 5 "I FELT AS Q. MUST FEEL"

Tôday I saw Prince Charming I read of him once in a book Clopin got for me.

The fairy-tale book said that he was tall and smiling and clad from head to foot in shining armor. He wore a helmet on his kingly head, i said, and rode a dashing stallion white as milk. I never thought that I. Esmeralda, a gypsy girl, would be granted a sight of him.

Now, almost every day, when my little tent is pitched in the square outside of Notre Dame and I come out to dance for pennies and applause, now, every day, Prince Charming is there, too.

Sometimes he only dashes by on his great stallion. Sometimes he pauses and watches me dance and his eyes meet my eyes and all the colors in the sky of morning and evening dance and swirl, like gorgeous scarfs, before me-

Clopin tells me to stop dancing when "the accursed Aristocrat" goes by. I have to do what Clopin tells me to. But nothing stops the dancing of my heart

I don't even tell Dom Claude about Prince Charming. I fear he might not fully understand.



Chanay manaces heroine, Patsy Ruth Miller. (Note Wolfman-like hairy hands, make-up similar to that used years later by his son in his characterization of Larry Talbot, the lycenthrope.)

The other night Prince Charming spoke to me. I felt as Quasimodo must feel when he hears the bells of Notre Dame speaking to his soul. My soul had never been awake until Prince Charming spoke to me. Then it woke up and I knew that I would never be the same again. I was transported. but I suffered, too. I suffered because I knew into what horrors I would fall if never again should his voice sing in my ears.

Chapter 6 THE DARK BROTHER

There is one person I do not fully understand. And the only other person about whom I have never spoken to Dom Claude. That person is Dom Claude's brother Jehan. Jehan sometimes comes to the court of Miracles and talks in low dark tones to Clopin. I do not think that Clopin likes Jehan but he thinks that Jehan can help him make things right for his people. Dom Claude says that the greatest knot in Clopin's soul comes from the fact that he cannot see that all people in the world are His people and not just the poor creatures that stay with us in the Court of Miracles.

I told that to Clopin, but he only groaned in a way he has and stroked my head and said that dreams were fair food for priests and angels.

But Jehan-Jehan looks at me when I am in any way near him. He always looks at me, his eyes following and following and following . . . His eyes remind me of the rats that sometimes slink along the sewer sides and frighten some of our people when they are coming home from their "work". I am afraid of Jehan. I am much more afraid of him than I am of Quasimodo.

Lately, too, I have seen Jehan talking with Quasimodo and then I have seen Quasimodo shuffle away, licking his lips in a terrible way he has . . . I told the Gypsy Queen that I thought they were up to some mischief. "Clopin will take care of it," she said.

Chapter 7 IN THE CLUTCH OF Q.

I can scarce write this tonight, I am so frightened.

In the evening when I was coming home, wrapped in my cloak, I was suddenly aware of two skulking figures. Horrible. All of a sudden I was seized and there was a

sound of foul breathing and strange talk and then I realized that Quasimodo had me in his grasp and that the slight sinister figure of Jehan was crouched against the walls in the shadows, skulking, skulking, rat-like

My screams died before they were born. This was the horror past horror; to be touched, to be grasped by Quasimodo . . . I was like to live in that most sickening vise, for die I could not for sheer force of horror, when, like a bright sword cleaving through the night, Prince Charming came charging upon us . . .



her, little realizing (till revelation et end of picture) that "gypsy" girl is her own long-lost deughterl In less time than it takes to tell I was rescued.

mounted on the milk-white stallion. Ah, the cold feel of his armor! Ah, the brave strength of his He took me to an odd, small place and brought

me wine and bread. He said that I must eat after so terrible an adventure. It was a curious place and a curious old woman served us and stood back of me, smiling strangely. Prince Charming told me that his name was Phoebus. He, too, was strange with me

I talked to him a little of myself. I showed him the circlet my unremembered mother had once clasped about my throat. "I am not afraid to go about alone," I said to him "for my mother once told me that while I wore this chain no harm could befall me Phoebus was so strange then! He was quiet and

told me that that day His Majesty The King had made him Captain of the Royal Guard. A little later he took me home.

Chepter 8 **BETRAYED & BEATEN**

They beat Quasimodo in the public place. Tortured him. They bared his monstrous body to the world and lashed him. That monstrous, poor body! Ah, God, how could they? How could they? Dom Claude has said they know not what they do. That must be so. And it was because of me. Quasimodo was arrested for kidnapping. Jehan made him do

it, that I know. But Jehan is the rat that hides in the sewers of Paris.

A crowd, to whom the appearance of 4 sereants posted at the 4 corners of the pillory since 9:00 in the morning intimated that some poor wretch was about to suffer, had increased so rapidly that the sergeants had been obliged more than once to keep it back by means of their horses heels and the free use of their whips,

The mob, accustomed to wait for hours for public executions, did not manifest any angry impatience but amused itself by gazing at the pillory upon which was a horizontal wheel of oak

Quasimodo, tied to the tail of a cart, was at length brought forward; and when he had been hoisted upon the platform, where he could be seen from all points of the place, bound with cords and thongs upon the wheel of the pillory, a prodigious hooting-mingled with laughter and acclamationsburst from the mob. They had recognized Quasimodo.

Quasimodo never stirred; he did not so much as frown. All resistance, indeed, upon his part was rendered impossible by the chains and the thongs curring deep into his misshapen flesh. His face betrayed no other emotion than the astonishment of a savage or an idiot. He was known to be deaf,

but you would have supposed him to be blind also. He was placed on his knees upon the circular wheel. His shirt was ripped off and he allowed himself to be stripped to the waist without oppo-





The dull-witted hunchback does not understand what is happaning to him as he is driven to the village square in an ox-cart.

Quasimodo tugs futilely at the metal chains which bind him to the slowly revolving Wheel of Pein.



A violent contraction of pain and surprise distorted the muscles of his face but he heaved not a single sigh. He merely turned his head one way and the other, balancing it like a bull stung by a gadfly.

A second stroke succeeded the first then came another and another.

The wheel continued to turn and the blows of fall. The swart shoulders of the Hunchback

were aftre with pain.

Quasimodo relapsed, in appearance at least, into his former apathy. He had endeavored, at first quietly and without great external effort, to burst his bonds. His eye was seen to flash, his muscles to swell, his limbs to gather themselves muscles to well, his limbs to gather themselves. The effort was mighty, prodigious, desperate but the old shackles seemed too tough. They but the old shackles seemed too tough.

Quasimodo sank down, exhausted. He closed his only eye, dropped his head upon his breast and feigned death.

Chapter 10 SOUL OF A MONSTER

cracked and that was all.

Time passed.

The fury of the people was expressed not less actively in their faces than their words. For an hour at least Quasimodo had been exposed to incessant ill-usage—slashed, jeered and almost stoned. Big drops of scarlet sweat fought their way along his back and bestial chest, staining the oaken wheel beneath him.

He was deaf but he was sharp-sighted. At first he slowly rolled around a look of menace at the crowd but then he struggled in his bonds and his furious controtions made the old wheel of the pillary creak upon its axis.

furious controtions made the old wheel of the pillory creak upon its axis.

The crowd drew back in fear that the angry chained beast might break loose and revenge himself for his cruel treatment.

himself for his cruel treatment.
Suddenly, breaking his self-imposed silence,
Quasimodo cried in a hoarse and furious voice,
like the roaring of a wild animal:
"I thirst"

This cry of distress served only to heighten the mirth of the good people of Paris. "Water! I thirst!" he cried repeatedly, only to be mocked and pelted with the foulest of liquids. There was none who would go near his hideous body. I gave him water from the fountain, cool water,

I gave him waker from the fountain, cool water, the wave him waker from the foundation cool water, the consideration of the considerati

Chapter 11 "A MADMAN'S JEST"

Dom Claude said that I should suffer to know the pity of the world. Ah me, ah me! In a cell, in a prison cell, I have learned the pity of life



tion of revulsion to bring him water.

and death and the limitless pain of love. But what is Life to me? And where is Love? For they have killed Prince Charming! They have killed him and, in the Courts of the

King, Justice has had it that it was I who killed him, I who love him more than Life and all that Life can hold! I laughed in the face of the King's Justice. I laughed like laughter heard in hell. It was so horrible, a madman's jest. That I should kill Pheobus, whose every drop of blood is cherished in my heart. And yet it was, in some sad measure, my own

ault.
Pheobus had been made Captain of the Guard.

Pheobus had been made Captain of the Guard. A ball was to be given in his honor and he bade me go with him. I begged him not to do so mad a thing. I made excuses that I had no gown but Phoebus was masterful and had his way with me. He must and would, on the night honoring him, take the fairest lady in all France to the ball.

It was his heart's desire and who was I that I should hold from him his least desire?

Jehan saw us go into the home of the nobles. He told Clopin and they followed us to the

house...
I would avoid recording that scene. After all, time is so short with me. Even now—the shadow of the axe—

Chapter 12 DEATH MY ONLY RIVAL

Phoebus had given me into the care of two serv-

ing women and for the first time in my life I was dressed as—as a noblewoman. It was curious how much at home I felt. More at home than in my gypsy rags.

And not only at home but happy when Phobus came to lead me into the ballroom and told me again that I was the most beautiful woman in all of Frame. . . Madame de Gondelaurier and it. Phrobus was in a manner engaged to Fleur de Lys, the daughter of Madame, before he and I had looked upon one another. She, Mademoiselle Fleur de Lys, was beautiful and fair, but somehow I felt no fear of her. Death was my only We were in the baltroom when Clopia and his We were in the baltroom when Clopia and his

"people" came in. A terrific scene was impending, bloodshed and danger to my Prince Charming when I announced that I no longer cared for Phoebus Ah, I know now how bravely women lieb Even there, among his friends, and with the infuriated Clopin and his friends threatening them all with death, even then Phoebus pleaded with me to convess our love.

And they say that I killed him! I! It seems to me that I shall smile upon the chopping-block at that absurdity. For I shall smile. With me the block shall be but the doorway to something perhaps better than this life. Our love has robbed the knife of all its pain.

But to get back: After that scene with Clopin in the home of Madame, I determined to enter

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In his hands he holds his most prizad possessions, his candles. These he is willing to sall to buy baautiful things for the Gypsy girl who seems the most beautiful thing in the world to him—naxt to his beloved Cathedral.

Now, half-wittedly, little reelizing he is doing wrong, Quasimodo does the bidding of the evil Jehan and accosts the lovely Esmaralda.



the Holy Church. There, in the garb of the nuns, I might find peace among those who must fore-swear all passion. I told Phoebus I would meet him once again in the holy garden of Notre Dame. Then, in the moonlight, before I knew it—a stab in the back, and Phoebus lay at my feet.

Chapter 13 "A MAMMOTH GRAVEYARD"

I do not fear the ax. It cannot come too soon. Now I know that I am separate from Clopin and his 'people'. The world and all its causes, lost and found, is but a mammoth graveyard to heart, a mammoth graveyard monumenting my poor dead Phoebus . . Poor human things . Phoebus who loved me not wisely but too well

... Clopin with his knotted passionate soul Jehan with that rat-like stime in his eyes ... Quasimodo communing with the bells of Notre Dame .. At last, at last—young as I am, made old and wise by love, I see that they go to the same goad by the varying paths of hate and love ... I have been taken away to rest. And after I have written these last words I shall rest well.

The day came when they took me to the block. Ah, bruised heart of the world and mockery of the "justice" of Mankind, what suffering I knew as I was led along the streets of Paris! And yet, it was not so much for myself that I bled as for the men who were doing this thing to me. It came nees and pain. Pheobus, so young to die, and so young to follow him—and so glad within I.

Before I came to die they gave me leave to pray as is their custom upon the doorstep of Notre Dame. From within the great cathedral there came the chiming of the bells. The bells that told all Paris another victim was going to execution.

The bells that were being rung by Quasimodo. I thought of him, of his poor binds soul within his monstrous body. I thought of the stricken pity of his face and of the awful longing in his half-blinded yees when they beheld my face. Because I had laid upon his misshapen self a kindly hand, he gave me the isolated love of his poor malbed to be the hard to ring my death knell! I prayed that he might never know what victim he was tolling to the grave!

Chapter 14 SNATCHED FROM THE AX

But he hnew and he saved me! His task done, he bent, as was his habit, over the parapet of Notre Dame to watch, with the other spectators, the denise of another "victim". I could imagine, I can imagine now, how he must have chuckled when he knew that another of his formentors was going into extinction, for all the were his tormentors to Quasimodo.

And then he must have seen mel I wasn't so much a girl, victimized and unbefriended to Quasimodo; I was a soft hand that had touched his repulsive flesh and a kind face that had shone down to him out of the murky mists that hovered like a dark cloud, shadowing his dull mind.

His whole distorted soul concentrated.

All the disrupted elements in him came together,
so Dom Claude has explained to me, and down







Quasimodo seems to grow more "human" with each interpretation. When last seen in 1957, he was not nearly as shocking as Lon Chaney. Still, not quite the kind of boy a girl would want to take home to mother—unless mother was a Munster.

the rope that led to the execution block, down from the dizzy height of Notre Dame, quietly, quietly, like a cat, swiftly, swiftly, came the Hunchback. Before 1, before Dom Claude in the doorway, before the executioner or any of the crowd were aware of the groiseque blur against the within the sacred precincts of the Holy Church. "SANCTUARY!" he cried.

One cannot violate sanctuary. While I was within Notre Dame the executioner's ax was power-

Poor Quasimodo, how he tended me there! How he took his treasures—his reasured candies—and sold them that he might buy me a velved robe for my body and slippers edged with hir or my body and slippers edged with the or my body and slippers edged with the or my lightest footfall to gaze upon me with the enormity of his worship and subjection. I came to have an odd fondness for the slumbering mass that was Quasimodo. Under that massive flesh something splendid sirred from its Clouds was planning my salyation. Outsimodo

had been there, at the Court of Miracles. Chapter 15 OF MEN AND FLAME AND DEATH

And then the End. The horrifying, sensational, tragic end... for all but me! Clopin and his "people" bombarded Notre Dame. They had heard that I was in sanctuary there, awaiting a new trial, and had come to "save" me. They arrived with burning spears and swords, with pillage and destruction in their soul. The



nobles were called out; the King's Guard and the opposing forces met at the entrance to Notre Dame.

Quasimodo and I watched the broiling madness

of men and flame and death far beneath us. To me it meant only that Pheobus was dead but to Quasimodo it meant that some body of men was daring to desecrate the Cathedral.

Once again the twisted elements within his contorted body came together, this time to destroy rather than save, although no doubt he would have confused the two and said—could he have said—that the one time he saved me, whom he loved, and the next time he saved Notre Dame, which he loved even more, I think. Ah, nightmare scene of horror!

Blocks of granite beyond the power of man to move an inch, with superhuman strength he carried them to the parapets and pushed them over, crushing those unfortunates beneath upon whose unsuspecting bodies they fell.

A huge length of lumber he grasped in his gnarled hands, staggered to the rall of the Cathedral, heaved the heavy wood upon the heads of those at the base of the church . . . and a moment later cries of anguish rose to the heavens as broken bodies writhed beneath the great weight that pinned them to the ground like butterflies.

Then Clopin's people seized upon the length of wood with glad cries of "The Hunchback" has sent us a battering ram!" and began to break down the Cathedral door.

Chapter 16 QUASIMODO AMOK

their soul. The At this Quasimodo went berserk. He all but FAMOUS MONSTERS OF FILMLAND 37



Trussed up like an animal, the Hunchback looks to heaven for mercy.

threw himself upon the mob. Quasimodo knew nothing of Japanese fighters' suicidal kamikaze death dives, for these mad acts of war were not yet to come for centuries; but he almost sacrificed his life in a lethal leap upon those massed below. No doubt he would have thought it well worth is life outlot he would have thought it well worth the work of the

Now a wild inspiration seized the wild creature. The molten pots of metal! He pushed first one, then another, to the edge of the parapet...tipped them over...and a rain of fiery liquid fell in scalding sheets on the thick-packed press of humanity!

The people fell like flies before a furnace blast, moths masscred by the scorching breath of a desert sandstorm as the red-hot "soup" of lead spilled upon their writing, shriveling, perishing bodies. Screams of pain spillt the air, dving moans of

torment from the fatally burned.

High above, like a living gargoyle in his eyrie,
Quasimodo danced an ape-like dance of exultation

and beat his drum-like chest with savage satisfaction.

It was an incredible scene of horror: that awful

twisted figure silhouetted against the glaring, bloody sky, an engine of hate pouring over great buckets of molten metal, staggering back and forth to the parapets, teetering perilously on that high ridge of destruction. Ouasimodo—triumphant!

Chapter 17 DEATH OF A VILLAIN

But while he vented his rage and hatred on his tormenters below, a dark scene was being enacted elsewhere: suddenly the sinister Jehan confronted me and made plain his intentions to have me for his own.

I fought Jehan as best I could but my feeble strength was no match for his masculine determination.

I thought I would faint in horror when—suddenly—Quasimodo, bless his tortured soul, missed

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me . . . and came to my rescue. When his eye lit on Jehan and surmised the harm he meant me, the transformation in Quasimodo was apalling to behold. His nostrils flared. His bloodshot eye bulged. He snarled with the ghastly grimace of an unleashed jungle beast.

Then-he pounced.

He leapt upon the cowering Jehan like a wild thing bereft of his senses. He shook the craven coward like a rag doll. Smashed him to the floor. Dragged him to his feet again. Clutched him, carried him to the rim of the parapet, lifted him high over his head . . . and then . . .

The treacherous Jehan stabbed Quasimodo!
Once...twice...the deep blade of the dagger drank blood to its hilt.
Over Quasimodo's horrible face there spread

an awful expression of disbelief.

A life for a life! He flung the damnable murderer

from him, watched him fall, like a black spider, in a wide arc to his dreadful death on the rough cobblestones below.

Chapter 18 QUASIMODO'S LAST ACT

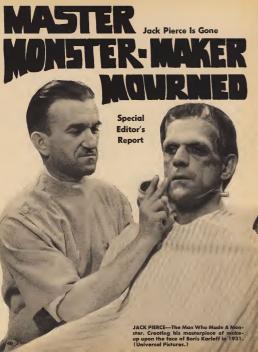
For me, it was a moment of supreme horror, followed by a moment of supreme joy: Phoebus appeared—clive! At first I thought him a phanton a conjured vision of my fevered imagination which had been so sorely tried by the events cale whose explanation I was later to learn. Then, it mattered only that he was there, as if resurrected from the grave.

Quasimodo saw—and cringed as though from salt rubbed in fresh wounds. But then he made a sign, a sign of pathetic understanding, of forgiveness that it was not he for whom I felt the ultimate love.

And he crawled away to die. To the bells, his beloved bells. He tolled his own death-heell, told the world that Quasimodo the ugly, the unwanted, the unloved and hate-haunted, was quitting life. One last labored breath and he slumped in a heap

and expired.

The Hunchback of Notre Dame was dead. END





A later Frankenstein make-up. In 1945, JACK PIERCE turns Glenn Strange into the

frankenstein's father

He built a monster Frankenstein.

And on his creation's broad shoulders, Jack Pierce climbed to the top of the pedestal. The Wolfman

The Mummy.

The Jungle Captive.

He made them the hard way, the old way, the original way that took half a day of tireless effort to transform, for instance, a mild, cultured Englishman named Boris Karloff into the most terrifying face seen on the screen since the late Lon Chaney had played Erik, the demented Phantom of the

That was in 1931

On 19 July 1968, he died. I believe he was born in Greece. He was close to 80 when he passed away.

Passed away? An unreal thing to say, for wheneve FRANKEN-

STEIN and THE WOLFMAN and THE MUMMY and their sequels are revived, Jack Pierce will come alive and be remembered. Applauded, even.

colorful career

If Jack Pierce's FRANKENSTEIN had been in color, or if you had been permitted a peek into the inner sanctum of Jack Pierce's make-up room when

Strange One. (From HOUSE OF DRACULA Universal.)

the picture was in progress, you would have seen-Well, here is what your bulging eyes would have beheld, as reported by a journalist of the time:

He was 7 feet tall. His place of incarceration was the innermost make-up room of that same City of Make-Relieve where the Hunchback of Notre Dame had growled. the Phantom of the Opera had sune his fatal role. where Dracula had sunk into his last 500-year-old coffin, and the territying claws of the Cat had closed

about the heautiful neck of the Canary-Universal Prepared as I was, this terrifying man-made mountain, the protesque shape, the abnormal features completely submerged the identity of Boris

Karloff His lips were purplish-red, almost black, The head was box-like, the top of it flat and the

hair growing out like that of a Japanese doll. The eyes were dead.

All the flesh showed was gray-green & blotchy and slashed all over with surgical stitches & clamps where he was obviously put together, for Frankenstein's monster was put together, you remember, by the ambition-goaded young Dr. Frankenstein, according to the legend and the story by Mary Wollstoncraft Shelley. Here was a human life created by a human being in a scientific laboratory, and

Karloff was that creation. And JACK PIERCE was his creator. As well as the creator of Im-ho-ten.

And Larry Talbot's lycanthropic self. And as late as 1962 he made up the artificial



The application of yak's hair took 6 hours alone. JACK PIERCE developed 5 o'clock shadow himself while working on this make-up for Lon Chaney Jr. in HOUSE OF DRACULA, Universal 1945.



After wrapping Kharis in 400 yards of specially prepared gauze tape, JACK PIERCE applies liquid solution of Fuller's earth. (Lon Chaney Jr. in THE MUMMY'S GHOST, Universal 1943.)

people in the futuristic color film THE CREATION OF THE HUMANOIDS.

praise for pierce

I spoke on the phone to the father of THE IL-LUSTRATED MAN, Ray Bradbury, and Ray said of Jack Pierce: "How rare in any arrform—writing, painting, motion pictures—that someone cruiting, painting, motion pictures—that someone crustes something truly individual ... and frightening. Jack Pierce's creation will be remembered for hundred of years to come, And so, in a way, Jack Pierce created & signed his own existant.

Bill "Moriock-maker" Tuttle, who won an Oscar for his make-up in THE 7 FACES OF DR. LAO, said to me of Pierce: "I only saw him about a half hour in my whole life. He was a strange one, what you call a "loner," He never mixed much with other make-up men. Like Lon Chaney, he never water make-up men. Like Lon Chaney, he never water about his genilost.

Verne Langdon, author of FM's series "The Men Behind the Masks", echoed Tuttles tale of Pierce's pride in retaining an air of mystery around his work. "He would disappear into his make-up den and no one dared enter—not even the President of the Studol—while he was at work turning a man airto a monter. They knew his ability and respected to the proper of the present of the presentation of the theory of the presentation of the presentation of the house of the presentation of the presentation of the And, coming out of his TORTURE GARDEN long enough to talk for print in FM, the author of

"In . . . 1931 . . . John Barrymore made SVEN. GALI, in which a beautiful young girl, Trilby, sang beautifully by remote control bypnotism. Her voice was applauded but no one in the audience was aware that a large part of the credit was due Svengali. To a large extent this was the fate of Jack Pierce—everwhere but among the true lovers

PSYCHO said:

of fantastic films, The general public seldom stopped to think about the make-up on Boris Karloff or Lon Chaney Jr. but I'm sure that to every reader of PAMOUS MONSTERS, his was a name to conjure with. If he was unknown to the average moviegor, Jack Pierce was Bara, and rightly so, to the avid fan of the horror picture. And among those fans he could certainly count Yours Truly. He was the greatest."

rest in peace

Only 24 persons were at the funeral of Jack Firerce, one-fourth the number that I counted at the funeral of Bela Lugosi, a man he had made up as your and as the Frankenstein monster himself. As Jack Taylor observed, "It was a sad, almost pathetic aftar," Taylor, himself a make-up artist, after the aftar," Taylor, himself a make-up artist, after the Taylor's kind permission we herewith publish for your benefit a number of his remarks:

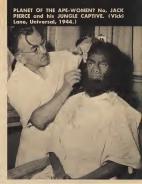
your beneut a number of his remarks:

The mourners hardly filled a solid row of pews.

A minister who had never met Jack P. Pierce, dean
of Hollywood make-up artists, was bravely trying
to speak of a man he had never met, but said little
more than a few prayers and some kind words.

In the audience of 24 persons, only 3 were makeup artists. His union brothers sent flowers but most jound it inconvenient to say farewell in person.

Bela Lugosi is transformed into brokennecked Ygor by JACK PIERCE in SON OF FRANKENSTEIN. (Universal 1939.)







Before & After. JACK JIERCE turns the late Leo Carillo into a chummy mummy for THE GHOST BREAKERS, Universal, 1944.





One of PIERCE'S last make-ups: the androids in THE CREATION OF THE HUMANOIDS(1962)

It might be said this was the usual funeral turnout for movie pioneers; those that remain have come to expect it. A brief blurb in The Times, a precise, well-oiled service and a plot in Forest Lawn. Few have come to expect more than that

"Who was Jack Pierce?" someone asked an usher. The man mumbled he wasn't sure and the subject was dropped. Somehow the modern father of Frankenstein seemed to deserve a better answer. The rebirth in 1931 of the double-domed freak, invented by Mary Shelley, was a Hollywood mile-

stone for two men, Tack Pierce & Boris Karloff, Prior to Universal's decision to film the classic horror tale, Pierce was an undistinguished make-upman and Karloff was enjoying almost bi pierce status among the casting departments of the various status among the casting departments of the various studios. His existence depended on landing undip parts in major films or major parts in minor nictures:

As 22, Karloff's hond-so-mouth life made him question his chances of sardom. That year, however, a charm seemed suspended above his curer, at a low point in his file he went in the Driversal commissing for lands and Jimmy Whale, one of the accountising for lands and Jimmy Whale, one of the accountising for the Prushensetin monter. The idea of wearing of the Frushensetin monter. The idea of wearing makes up that would completely like this natural features shartered Kurloff's dreams of glory has the form for the monter.



"Let us spray!" And Lon Chaney Jr. is turned into Mary Shelley's monster in THE GHOST OF FRANKENSTEIN, University 1942.



Pierce was too busy during the day to experiment with monster make-up so he invited the actor to visit him at night when they could have the lab to themselves. No one expected more than a convincing face for a low-budget project (\$250,000) but the men became fascinated with the monster.

night monster

Like the literary predecessor, the modern Frankenstein was made at night, a bit at a time. Pierce & Karloff worked for weeks perfecting the face they hoped would be accepted for the role of the monster. The men worked under a kind of compulsion

which drew their best capabilities.

Few things an actor was ever asked to wear
matched the painful, faitguing, clumsy putty face
Pierce invented for Karloff. "It took from 4 to 6
hours a day to make me up," the star said. "I felt
like an Evytnian mummy as Jack ladled the lavers

of make-up' on me."

The hours Karloff spent in the make-up chair were as tiring as his acting on the stuffy soundstage. He would sit motionless by the hour while the heavy putty & greasepaint were applied, hardly daring to

blink during the entire process.

Smoking was forbidden because much of his fa-

cial make-up was flammable. Lengths of cotton soaked in colloidion were used to simulate veins. Karloff's regular height was bult up to 7½ feet and his legs were trapped into braces that prevented him from bending his knees. Thus was Frankenstein's famous shuffling, halting walk created.

The movie was made during the heat of midsumer on stages that had never known air conditioning. To increase his bulk, a thick padded suit had been made for Kaloff, inside this sent of swelled material the star would sweat profusely. The moisture made his make-up crumble and small bits of the gritty material constantly dropped into his eyes. The nain resulting from this was almoy unbegrable.

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Through it all, neither Pierce nor Karloff even guessed their future careers would revolve around this single achievement. From the moment the monster flashed on the screen, both men were "typecas" in the role of monster-maker & monster-actor. For

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Karloff it would be a blessing, for Pierce it would eventually torce him into retirement.

The impressive profits of FRANKENSTEIN (\$12 million) induced Universal to make other horror films, After 2 more sequels to his original version. Karloff never again played the mythical monster of Mary Shelley's invention, except once on TV, but Pierce was called upon to devise other subhuman creatures to rush before the cameras in the place of Frankenstein.

THE MUMMY, a story of a 3,700-year-old corpse who returns to life, teamed Karloff & Pierce again. Pierce also invented make-up for the Wolfman and numerous other evil monsters of mythology but none achieved the stature & acceptance

of his first effort.

Then after 22 years at Universal Pierce was notified his services were no longer desired. The era on which his career had been founded was past. His techniques of using putty, burlap, collodion & Fuller's earth were too outdated. Foam rubber, plastics & other modern materials had replaced the older inferior products Pierce was used to working with.

Still his fame associated with Frankenstein continued to follow him. Once the host of a daytime cation of bulging eyes for the audience using the host as a subject. Unfamiliar with the appliances, Pierce put the plastic eyes in place, But one of the eves had a tiny burr which scratched the host's real eve, causing temporary blindness.

pierce the pioneer

Commenting on the incident, one make-up man told me, "Jack was like that. He had plenty of nerve. He would try anything, even if he had never done it before, and usually he got away with it, but that time it backfired. Still you have to hand it to the guy, he was a genius with monsters-but it was almost the only kind of make-up he could do toward the last."

'Audiences turned to other fads in films and Jack found he had outlived his era. Studios didn't need

him any more." Verne Langdon said.

So. at age 79, Jack P. Pierce, the last great pioneer make-up man, died near the studio where he achieved his greatest triumphs, alone, except for his wife. Forgotten were his times of genius, those rare moments when an artist & audience discover each other and a classic film is born.





The BRIDE who shied away from FRANKENSTEIN: Elsa Lanchester, transformed by 48 the magic hands of the late JACK PIERCE.(Universal, 1935.)



One of Jack's greatest: Karloff as Im-hotep in THE MUMMY, Universal, 1932.



Scarred by fire, the Frankenstein monster is scarier than ever as made up by JACK DIFFCE IN THE RRIDE OF FRANKFISTEIN (Universal, 1935).

But if Hollywood had ceased to care, rest assured, Jack Pierce, that Horrorwood cared. Very deeply. It is the belief of the editor of this magazine that, had it somehow been possible by television, radio & newspaper to have informed filmonster fans several days in advance of the forthcoming funeral of Jack Pierce, there would have been an overflow crowd as there was at the death ceremonies for Peter Lorre. Many local fans said to me later, "Gee, I didn't know Jack Pierce had died.'

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Nor did I. Nor will-ever-his countless legions of admirers. END

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- 4. "He want for a little walk . . . you shoul have seen his fecal"
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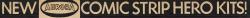
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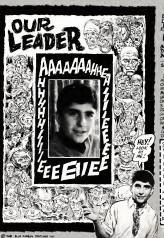
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